110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 7331

To provide immediate fiscal relief to cities experiencing serious budget deficits by providing funds for payments to qualified local governments.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 10, 2008

Mr. Brady of Pennsylvania introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Save America's Cities
- 5 Act of 2008".
- 6 SEC. 2. PAYMENTS TO QUALIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.
- 7 (a) In General.—From amounts appropriated
- 8 under this section the Secretary of the Treasury shall pay
- 9 to each qualified local government an amount that is based
- 10 on and proportional to the population of the area that

- 1 under State law is under the jurisdiction of that qualified
- 2 local government.
- 3 (b) Use of Funds.—Amounts paid to a qualified
- 4 local government under this section may be used to im-
- 5 prove public safety, clean and maintain streets, and pre-
- 6 serve services benefitting children and youth, as otherwise
- 7 authorized by State and local law.
- 8 (c) Qualified Local Government Defined.—In
- 9 this section the term "qualified local government" means
- 10 any local government having jurisdiction under State law
- 11 over an area having a population of 1,000,000 or more.
- 12 (d) APPROPRIATION.—There is appropriated to carry
- 13 out this section \$7,800,000,000 for fiscal year 2009.

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